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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This Amendment and Response is submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2005 in the above referenced patent application. A three-month extension is filed herewith. Please enter and consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6.